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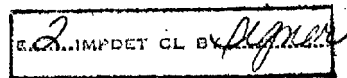
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1. [] Spoke with Norm Cornish, Deputy 25X1
Staff Director of the Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Government
Information, House Committee on Government Operations, regarding today's
markup session on H. R. 12206, which would provide individuals access to
records on them maintained by the Government. No members of the
Committee were present, but staff members met with representatives of
OMB and the Vice President's Commission. The issue of the CIA exemption
came up, but was not treated at length. Staff members from Representative
Bella S. Abzug's (D., N. Y.) office questioned whether a total exemption
for the Agency was necessary, and maintained that there was internal
disagreement at the top levels of CIA over this issue. I pointed out that this
was not the case, that Mr. Colby had mentioned in an offhand manner to
Fran Temko of Representative Abzug's staff that perhaps we could get along
with less, but that he fully supported our position of desiring a full exemption.
Cornish said there was also some sentiment that at least the Agency should
be required to report to Congress and perhaps the public on the type of
information systems we maintain. He also said he thought the Subcommittee
members would go along with the exemption, and that any further arguments
we have should be directed to OMB or the Vice President's Commission,
as these fellows were going to be quite influential. The next markup session
will be next week.

2. [] Forwarded a copy of the prepared statement 25X1
on [] to John Manning, Investigator, House Committee on STAT
Internal Security. Manning told me he will be resigning from the staff at
COB tomorrow, 28 June, and John Stratton will be handling this matter with
Robert A. Crandall, the Committee's Counsel. [] 25X1
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3. [] Talked to Marian A. Czarnecki, Chief of Staff, House Foreign Affairs Committee, and told him about the conversation between General Vernon Walters, DDCI, and Representatives Benjamin S. Rosenthal (D., N. Y.) and Charles Wilson (D., Tex.) concerning a visit to the Headquarters and briefing of the Foreign Affairs Committee. I told Czarnecki that Mr. Colby is very agreeable to this and wanted to ascertain Chairman Thomas E. Morgan's (D., Pa.) feelings. Czarnecki said there had been no request by either of the members to Chairman Morgan and expressed his appreciation for the call. He will talk to Chairman Morgan about it and will be back in touch.

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4. [] By various calls during the day, the meeting with Chairman Lucien N. Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, House Armed Services Committee, concerning Air Asia and Air America was rescheduled until Monday, 1 July, at 10:30 a.m.

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Also, forwarded to Chairman Nedzi for his review were documents relating to statements by Mullen and Bennett.

5. [] Accompanied [] to a briefing of Senator Henry M. Jackson and Dorothy Fosdick, of the Senator's staff, on the political, economic and military situations in China. They leave on their trip to China on Saturday. The briefing went very well and the Senator expressed his deep appreciation. It is clear he has no illusion about Chinese motives for having him visit at this time but he is determined to do everything he can to stimulate substantive discussions with Chinese leaders (to the extent that they permit him to see them). With this in mind he has discouraged practically all sightseeing excursions.

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6. [] Called Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and told him we had transmitted to Chairman Ervin a copy of the Baker report with our recommendations for sanitization and with our preliminary comments.

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